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FM AMEMBASSY RANGOON

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AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BEXP BM

SUBJECT: BURMESE CONSIDERATION OF MAJOR FERTILIZER PROJECT

REF: STATE 194799

1. GUB WOULD BE INTERESTED IN DISCUSSING PROJECT WITH MR. THOMAS. FOREIGN EQUITY PARTICIPATION IS NOT DESIRED AND INDEED WOULD NOT BE ACCEPTABLE TO GUB AT THIS STAGE OF TREND TOWARD GREATER COOPERATION WITH FOREIGN PRIVATE INTERESTS; HOWEVER, IT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN TECHNICAL AND OTHER ASSISTANCE PAID FOR BY PRODUCT SHARING OR OTHER SIMILAR ARRANGEMENT. WE THINK IT UNLIKELY THAT GUB WOULD BE PREPARED TO ESTABLISH A COOPERATIVE TO OPERATE A FERTILIZER ENTERPRISE, BUT IT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN MORE INFORMATION ON SUBJECT. MR. THOMAS' STOPOVER WOULD THEREFORE BE PRIMARILY IN HIS CAPACITY AS REPRESENTATIVE OF CF INDUSTRIES.

2. MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND FINANCE SUGGESTS STOPOVER ON HIS  
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RETURN FROM NEW DELHI, IF HIS SCHEDULE PERMITS; SECOND SESSION

OF PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY OPENS SEPT. 16 FOR TWO TO THREE WEEKS AND  
MANY GUB OFFICIALS WILL BE PREOCCUPIED WITH ITS MEETINGS.

3. PROJECT IS IN EARLIEST STAGES OF SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. NO  
FEASIBILITY STUDY HAS BEEN DONE BEYOND SIMPLE BASIC STUDY AIMED  
AT AVAILABILITY OF PHYSICAL RESOURCES. ACCORDING TO GUB, BOTH  
IBRD AND ADB HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION,  
BUT NO COMMITMENTS MADE. PRINCIPAL NEED AT PRESENT IS FOR STUDY  
OF PROJECT BY EXPERIENCED CONSULTANT TO ADVISE ON PARAMETERS FOR  
PREPARATION OF FEASIBILITY STUDY AND ASSIST IN ARRANGING FIN-  
ANCING.

4. FOR NEW DELHI AND JAKARTA: WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFO READILY  
AVAILABLE TO YOU ON FERTILIZER DEVELOPMENT IN YOUR COUNTRIES AND  
ON FOREIGN PARTICIPATION ESPECIALLY IN COOPERATION WITH STATE  
ENTERPRISES. FOR NEW DELHI: HAVE YOU ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
ON ORGANIZATION OF IFFCO?  
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